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## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Chandralata RAGHUKUMAR, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 8327

Examiner: Irene Mark

Filed: November 6, 2003

For:

A PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF LOW TEMPERATURE ACTIVE ALKALINE

PROTEASE FROM A DEEP-SEA FUNGUS

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of five month(s), extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 26, 2006 to November 27, 2006. (The actual due date was November 26, 2006, which was a weekend date).

Please charge the statutory fee of \$2160.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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